Destruction of mosquitoes by means of machines.

97 *Mr. **J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether malaria is not caused by mosquitoes;

(*b*) whether it is possible to destroy mosquitoes with the aid of machines;

(*c*) whether the head of the Medical and Sanitary Departments in Hyderabad has actually found in experience that the destruction of mosquitoes with the aid of a machine is a satisfactory arrangement; and

(*d*) whether it is not possible to destroy mosquitoes here also by using similar machines?

Mr. T. C. Thomman: (*a*) Malaria is caused by certain species of mosquitoes.

(*b*) Yes, in small numbers in very limited areas.

(*c*) Government have no information.

(*d*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*c*).

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: With reference to the answer to part (*c*) may I know whether the Government made any attempt to obtain this information from Hyderabad?

Mr. T. C. Thomman: No.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: May I know why?

Mr. T. C. Thomman: Government did not consider it necessary.

Game Warden.

98 *Mr. **J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state what progress the Game Warden's Department has made since he took charge of his duties?

Mr. T. C. Thomman: The information* is laid on the table.

Consumption of country and foreign liquors.

99 *Mr. **J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they will lay on the table a statement showing particulars of the consumption of country and foreign liquor during the last six years;

(*b*) whether country liquors could not now be obtained everywhere more easily than before; and

(*c*) whether they will lay on the table the schedule of prices of country liquors?

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* *Vide* Appendix V.—pages 246 & 247.

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Mr. C. O. Madhavan : (*a*) A statement giving the required information for 1105 to 1109 is laid on the table.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The † statement is laid on the table.

Mr. E. P. Varghese : May I know which taluk tops the list for the consumption of country liquor ?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan : I claim notice.

Income-tax forms sent to Plantation Officers.

100 * **Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state whether bonus and allowance are included in the forms regarding income-tax sent to the plantation officers of Devicolam and Peermade ?

Mr. K. George : (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Comissioner*) : Yes.

Stock of articles in the State Gues's Department.

101 * **Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad.** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any correct list has been taken of the stock, such as crockery, furniture and other articles belonging to the Guests Department ;

(*b*) if so, what is the value of the stock.

(*c*) under whose custody it is ;

(*d*) whether any special officer was appointed to take stock or verify the stock ;

(*e*) when this was done and whether he has finished his work and submitted his report ;

(*f*) what is the value of the stock according to him ; and

(*g*) whether any discrepancy or difference has been found ?

Mr. T. C. Thomman : (*a*) A numerical list has been prepared.

(*b*) The valuation is not complete.

(*c*) The articles which are not in use are in the charge of the Store Keeper, Central Stores, State Guests Department. The articles in use are distributed among the various Guest and Government Houses.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) 29-5-1109 ; the Special Officer has not finished his work

(*f*) and (*g*) In view of the answer to part (*e*) these do not arise.

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* *Vide* Appendix VI A.—page 248.

† *Vide* Appendix VI B. Do.

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